



MEASURE J RE-IMAGINE LA
Education Access and Youth Development SUBCOMMITTEE
February 9, 2021, 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

1. The Education Access and Youth Development Subcommittee was called to order by co-chair Mandie Dixon at 6:06 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION AND GROUNDING

- a. Mandie Dixon led a brief discussion of Measure J and what this subcommittee is tasked to do. This subcommittee process is a five-week process where residence and stakeholders will make recommendations for programs and services aimed at education access and youth development. The public may share their voice through community advisory meetings, the sub-committees, digital surveys, and a series of community town hall meetings.
- b. Aparna Shah and Miguel Perla introduced as co-facilitators.
- c. Mandie provided information about the subcommittee structure and functions
 - i. Subcommittee structure:
 1. Subcommittee will have 2 co-chairs, one of whom will be selected during this meeting
 2. Every attendee is considered a subcommittee member
 3. Subcommittee is a Brown Act body
 - ii. Function of subcommittee
 1. Subcommittee is responsible for making Measure J spending allocation recommendations to the Advisory Committee
 2. Subcommittee is also responsible for identifying programs and services that can be funded by Measure J and that will support communities and people impacted by systemic racism
 - iii. There are five Measure J subcommittees
 1. Economic Opportunity and Sustainability
 2. Diversion, Behavioral Health, and Health
 3. Education Access and Youth Development
 4. Housing
 5. Reentry
 - iv. Role of subcommittee
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 2. Subcommittee is also responsible for identifying programs and services that can be funded by Measure J and that will support communities and people impacted by systemic racism
- d. Aparna opened the floor for questions and public comments. The following members of the public addressed the subcommittee:
 - i. Anthony Robles
 - ii. Joel Garcia

- iii. Carmen Taylor Jones
- iv. Joe Hernandez
- v. Dr. Michael Batie
- vi. Liliya Anya
- vii. Dante Hayes.

4. ACTION ITEM (Vote) - Election of Co-Chair

- a. A description of roles and responsibilities was facilitated by Miguel Perla and provided the following:
 - i. Represent the Advisory Committee and its conversations at the subcommittee
 - ii. Attend all 5 subcommittee meetings
 - iii. Provide guidance from the Advisory Committee and Measure J language to support concrete funding recommendations
 - iv. Bring subject-matter expertise through personal lived work experience. support in facilitating comments and feedback into concrete funding recommendations.
 - v. Report information from this subcommittee to the advisory committee
 - vi. Provide support to facilitators in presenting material and decision-making process
- b. Miguel also explained the nomination process
 - i. Co-chairs will lead nominations and voting
 - ii. Nominees need to be present in meeting to accept the nomination
 - iii. Self-nominations are allowed
 - iv. Nominations will be tracked on a slide
 - v. The vote will be virtual but attendees on phone may vote over the phone
 - vi. Winners need to win by simple majority and winners take office immediately
- c. Mandie opened the floor for nominations. The following people were nominated for co-chair:
 - i. Anthony Robles
 - ii. AJ Jackson
 - iii. Gary Hardie
 - iv. Robert Sainz (declined nomination)
 - v. Dr. Michael Batie (declined nomination)
 - vi. Maria Flores
 - vii. Luis Vasquez
- d. Each nominee was provided a minute to speak and introduce themselves to the subcommittee
- e. Mandie opened the floor for public comment regarding the nominations. The following members of the public addressed the subcommittee:
 - i. Nicole Brown
 - ii. Dante Hayes
 - iii. Ellen Giesy

- iv. Beth
 - v. Ivette Ale
 - vi. Eunisses Hernandez
 - vii. David Turner
 - viii. Lex Stepling
 - ix. Casey Jagusch
 - x. Shirley Torres
 - xi. Susan Bradshaw
 - xii. Christian Flagg
 - xiii. Lupita
 - xiv. Derek Steele
- f. Mandie closed nominations and began the election. The result of the vote was as follows:
- 1. Anthony Robles - 79 votes
 - 2. AJ Jackson - 15 votes
 - 3. Gary Hardie - 24 votes
 - 4. Maria Flores - 5 votes
 - 5. Luis Vasquez - 10 votes
- v. Anthony Robles accepted the office of co-chair.

5. Mandie then led a discussion on an overview of funding recommendations

- a. Mandie Dixon highlighted how funding recommendations should align or connect to “themes” identified by Measure J Advisory Committee: The following are the “themes” in question:
- 1. Individuals Experiencing Mental Health Disorders
 - 2. Individuals Experiencing Substance Use Disorders
 - 3. Homelessness
 - 4. Situations Caused by Unmet Needs
 - 5. People with Disabilities
 - 6. Zip Codes
 - 7. Community of Interest
 - 8. Preventative Health Needs
 - 9. Systems Impacted Individuals
- ii. Mandie noted that funding recommendations should connect to/an or consider how the recommendations will eliminate disparities in categories such as:
- 1. Race
 - 2. Ethnicity
 - 3. Sex
 - 4. Gender Identity
 - 5. Sexual Orientation
 - 6. Language Spoken
 - 7. Geography
 - 8. Concentrated and/or Accumulated Disadvantage

- 9. Age
 - 10. Immigration Status
 - 11. Veteran Status
 - iii. In consideration of the vision for funding recommendations, Mandie posed the following questions to the subcommittee:
 - 1. What's the longer-term vision for change and improvement for the Subcommittee focus area?
 - 2. What programs, services, and initiatives does this Subcommittee want to fund this fiscal year, between July 1, 2021, and June 30, 2022?
 - 3. What programs, services, and initiatives does this Subcommittee want to fund, but might take longer to implement? (2+ years)
 - iv. Mandy discussed how Measure J funds can move into the community
 - 1. Established process of distributing funds through County departments
 - 2. Subcommittee can propose an additional process to equitably distribute Measure J funds such as a block grant for community-based organizations
 - b. Mandie then opened the floor for questions and public comment. The following members of the public addressed the subcommittee:
 - i. Joel Garcia
 - ii. Andy Wexler
 - iii. Vanessa
 - iv. Eunisses Hernandez
 - v. David Turner
 - vi. Nicole Brown
 - vii. Maricela Ramirez
 - viii. Araceli Simeon
 - ix. Latia Suttle
6. Aparnah led a discussion of establishing the subcommittee's focus
- a. Aparnah provided the ATI foundational recommendations that apply to the subcommittee:
 - i. Expand family reunification models and connect families to low-cost or no-cost parenting groups
 - ii. Establish effective restorative justice programs for the adult justice-involved population by learning from existing County and other programs, especially those serving youth
 - iii. Expand supporting employment opportunities for persons with mental health, substance use, or co-occurring disorders, including flexible funds for basic client needs to find employment (e.g. birth certificates)
 - iv. Create, staff, and fund an Advisory Collaborative of Impacted People to ensure there is continuous feedback and accountability to the prioritized communities and LA County at large in the implementation of the comprehensive roadmap.

- v. Provide paid and training and employment to increase the number of justice system impacted individuals working as technologists behind data collection and analysis.
- b. Aparna led a brainstorming to focus the subcommittee topic area and allow subcommittee members to express the populations and areas members feel should be addressed by the subcommittee
 - i. To begin the exercise Aparnah asked the following two questions:
 - 1. What are the diversion, behavioral health, and health issues that you see particularly for those who are systems-impacted and impacted by systemic racism and other inequities?
 - 2. What would you like to see?

7. Miguel opened the floor for general PUBLIC COMMENT but no members of the public addressed the subcommittee.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment for the Education Access and Youth Development Subcommittee meeting on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 8:27 p.m.

There being no objection, the meeting was adjourned by co-chairs Mandie Dixon and Anthony Robles.